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Belgian pumping solutions family business develops a solid transition plan for next generation leadership

Client challenge

• How to transfer the business to the Next Gen?

Other issues at play

- Very charismatic patriarch
- Three children have different personalities: causes some tension
- The eldest daughter has most insight in and overview over the business
- Characters of father and daughter are very much alike but this also causes tensions between them
- Younger brother and sister of the patriarch are also working in the family firm

Deloitte approach

- Discovery Lab*: to assess all the (underlying) needs, wishes and concerns to determine next steps
- Insights Discovery**: Personal profiles & collective workshop in order to understand their strengths and pitfalls in cooperation and communication
- Legal Lab** for the Next Gen to introduce some essential knowledge for shareholders e.g. concepts related to law and economics as well as the practical implications

- Facilitation of discussions in the family with all family members
- Workshop on roles and responsibilities leading to clear and specific job descriptions

Outcome

- Increased appreciation and understanding especially between father & daughter
- Respect for the **unique strength**s of each family member
- Increased **communication skills** in the whole family
- Increased (shared) knowledge of business and strategy; legal concepts and definitions; the existing governance vehicle
- Specific job descriptions
- **Donations** to the children
- Global inheritance agreement
- Governance vehicle

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